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RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116 EXPEDITED PROCEDURE EXAMINING GROUP 2633

Docket No.: 1344.1033

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Akihisa KAWAGUCHI et al.

Serial No. 09/419,872

Group Art Unit: 2633

Confirmation No. 1976

Filed: October 19, 1999

Examiner: Reza Sedighian

For: METHOD OF CONTROLLING OPTICAL WAVELENGTH DIVISION MULTIPLEXING

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Sir:

This is in response to the Final Office Action mailed April 18, 2003, and having a period for response set to expire on July 18, 2003. A Petition for a one-month extension of time, together with the requisite fee for same, is submitted herewith, thereby extending the period for response to August 18, 2003. The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted.

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S&H Form: (10/01 1344.1033 Attorney Docket No. 09/419.872 **Application Number** REPLY/AMENDMENT October 19, 1999 Filing Date FEE TRANSMITTAL Akihisa KAWAGUCHI et al. First Named Inventor 2633 Group Art Unit Reza Sedighian **Examiner Name** 110.00 AMOUNT ENCLOSED FEE CALCULATION (fees effective 10/01/01) Highest Number Number CLAIMS AS Claims Remaining Extra Calculations Previously Paid For Rate **AMENDED** After Amendment 0 X \$ 18.00 = 0.00 20 = TOTAL CLAIMS 6 0.00 X \$ 84.00 =0 INDEPENDENT 3 = 2 CLAIMS Since an Official Action set an original due date of July 18, 2003, petition is hereby made for an 110.00 extension to cover the date this reply is filed for which the requisite fee is enclosed (1 month (\$110); 2 months (\$410); 3 months (\$930); 4 months (\$1,450); 5 months (\$1,970)): 0.00 If Notice of Appeal is enclosed, add (\$320) 0.00 If Statutory Disclaimer under Rule 20(d) is enclosed, add fee (\$110) 110.00 \$ Total of above Calculations = Reduction by 50% for filing by small entity (37 CFR 1.9, 1.27 & 1.28) 110.00 TOTAL FEES DUE = (1) If entry (1) is less than entry (2), entry (3) is "0". RECEIVED (2) If entry (2) is less than 20, change entry (2) to "20". (4) If entry (4) is less than entry (5), entry (6) is "0". (5) If entry (5) is less than 3, change entry (5) to "3". AUG 2 5 2003 METHOD OF PAYMENT Technology Center 2600 Check enclosed as payment. Charge "TOTAL FEES DUE" to the Deposit Account No. below. \boxtimes No payment is enclosed and no charges to the Deposit Account are authorized at this time (unless specifically required to obtain a filing date). GENERAL AUTHORIZATION If the above-noted "AMOUNT ENCLOSED" is not correct, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to credit \boxtimes any overpayment or charge any additional fees necessary to: 19-3935 Deposit Account No. STAAS & HALSEY LLP Deposit Account Name The Commissioner is also authorized to credit any overpayments or charge any additional fees required under \boxtimes 37 CFR 1.16 (filing fees) or 37 CFR 1.17 (processing fees) during the prosecution of this application, including any related application(s) claiming benefit hereof pursuant to 35 USC § 120 (e.g., continuations/divisionals/CIPs under 37 CFR 1.53(b) and/or continuations/divisionals/CPAs under 37 CFR 1.53(d)) to maintain pendency hereof or of any such related application. SUBMITTED BY: STAAS & HALSEY LLP 28,607 Reg. No. John C. Garvey Typed Name 8-18-03 Date Signature

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